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PLAINTIFFS

Knight First Amendment Institute at Columbia University

DEFENDANTS

Department of State

ATTORNEYS (FIRM NAME, ADDRESS, AND TELEPHONE NUMBER)

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CAUSE OF ACTION (CITE THE U.S. CIVIL STATUTE UNDER WHICH YOU ARE FILING AND WRITE A BRIEF STATEMENT OF CAUSE)
(DO NOT CITE JURISDICTIONAL STATUTES UNLESS DIVERSITY)

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Has this action, case, or proceeding, or one essentially the same been previously filed in SDNY at any time? No Yes Judge Previously Assigned

If yes, was this case Vol. Invol. Dismissed. No Yes If yes, give date _____ & Case No. _____

IS THIS AN INTERNATIONAL ARBITRATION CASE?

No Yes

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NATURE OF SUIT

		TORTS	ACTIONS UNDER STATUTES			
CONTRACT	PERSONAL INJURY	PERSONAL INJURY [] 310 AIRPLANE [] 315 AIRPLANE PRODUCT [] 320 ASSAULT, LIBEL & SLANDER [] 330 FEDERAL EMPLOYERS' LIABILITY [] 340 MARINE [] 345 MARINE PRODUCT LIABILITY [] 350 MOTOR VEHICLE [] 355 MOTOR VEHICLE [] 360 OTHER PERSONAL INJURY [] 362 PERSONAL INJURY - MED MALPRACTICE [] 463 ALIEN DETAINEE [] 510 MOTIONS TO VACATE SENTENCE 28 USC 2255 [] 530 HABEAS CORPUS [] 535 DEATH PENALTY [] 540 MANDAMUS & OTHER [] 440 OTHER CIVIL RIGHTS (Non-Prisoner)	FORFEITURE/PENALTY [] 367 HEALTHCARE/PHARMACEUTICAL PERSONAL INJURY/PRODUCT LIABILITY [] 365 PERSONAL INJURY [] 368 ASBESTOS PERSONAL INJURY PRODUCT LIABILITY [] 370 OTHER FRAUD [] 371 TRUTH IN LENDING [] 380 OTHER PERSONAL PROPERTY DAMAGE [] 385 PROPERTY DAMAGE [] 463 ALIEN DETAINEE [] 510 MOTIONS TO VACATE SENTENCE 28 USC 2255 [] 530 HABEAS CORPUS [] 535 DEATH PENALTY [] 540 MANDAMUS & OTHER [] 441 VOTING [] 442 EMPLOYMENT [] 443 HOUSING/ACCOMMODATIONS [] 445 AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES - EMPLOYMENT [] 446 AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES - OTHER [] 448 EDUCATION	BANKRUPTCY [] 625 DRUG RELATED [] 635 PERSONAL PROPERTY [] 690 OTHER [] 820 COPYRIGHTS [] 830 PATENT [] 835 PATENT-ABBREVIATED NEW DRUG APPLICATION [] 840 TRADEMARK [] 861 HIA (1395ff) [] 862 BLACK LUNG (923) [] 863 DIWC/DIWV (405(g)) [] 864 SSID TITLE XVI [] 865 RSI (405(g)) [] 710 FAIR LABOR [] 720 LABOR/MGMT [] 740 RAILWAY LABOR ACT [] 751 FAMILY MEDICAL LEAVE ACT (FMLA) [] 790 OTHER LABOR [] 791 EMPL RET INC [] 870 TAXES (U.S. Plaintiff or Defendant) [] 871 IRS-THIRD PARTY [] 872 26 USC 7609 [] 462 NATURALIZATION [] 465 OTHER IMMIGRATION [] 466 CIVIL DETAINEE [] 467 CONDITIONS OF CONFINEMENT [] 468 IMMIGRATION [] 469 VISA [] 470 HABEAS CORPUS [] 471 DEATH PENALTY [] 472 MANDAMUS & OTHER [] 473 OTHER CIVIL RIGHTS [] 474 EMPLOYMENT [] 475 HOUSING/ACCOMMODATIONS [] 476 AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES - EMPLOYMENT [] 477 AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES - OTHER [] 478 EDUCATION	OTHER STATUTES [] 375 FALSE CLAIMS [] 376 QUI TAM [] 400 STATE [] 410 ANTITRUST [] 430 BANKS & BANKING [] 450 COMMERCE [] 460 DEPORTATION [] 470 RACKETEER INFLUENCED & CORRUPT ORGANIZATION ACT (RICO) [] 480 CONSUMER CREDIT [] 485 TELEPHONE CONSUMER PROTECTION ACT [] 490 CABLE/SATELLITE TV [] 850 SECURITIES/COMMODITIES/EXCHANGE [] 890 OTHER STATUTORY ACTIONS [] 891 AGRICULTURAL ACTS [] 893 ENVIRONMENTAL MATTERS [] 895 FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT [] 896 ARBITRATION [] 899 ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURE ACT/REVIEW OR APPEAL OF AGENCY DECISION [] 950 CONSTITUTIONALITY OF STATE STATUTES	
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Check if demanded in complaint:

CHECK IF THIS IS A CLASS ACTION
UNDER F.R.C.P. 23

DO YOU CLAIM THIS CASE IS RELATED TO A CIVIL CASE NOW PENDING IN S.D.N.Y.
AS DEFINED BY LOCAL RULE FOR DIVISION OF BUSINESS 13?

IF SO, STATE:

DEMAND \$ _____ OTHER _____ JUDGE _____ DOCKET NUMBER _____

Check YES only if demanded in complaint
JURY DEMAND: YES NO

NOTE: You must also submit at the time of filing the Statement of Relatedness form (Form IH-32).

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| <input type="checkbox"/> b. At least one party is pro se. | | | | | | |

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| <input type="checkbox"/> 1 U.S. PLAINTIFF | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 2 U.S. DEFENDANT | <input type="checkbox"/> 3 FEDERAL QUESTION | <input type="checkbox"/> 4 DIVERSITY
(U.S. NOT A PARTY) |
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IF DIVERSITY, INDICATE CITIZENSHIP BELOW.**CITIZENSHIP OF PRINCIPAL PARTIES (FOR DIVERSITY CASES ONLY)**

(Place an [X] in one box for Plaintiff and one box for Defendant)

CITIZEN OF THIS STATE	PTF [] 1	DEF [] 1	CITIZEN OR SUBJECT OF A FOREIGN COUNTRY	PTF DEF [] 3 [] 3	INCORPORATED and PRINCIPAL PLACE OF BUSINESS IN ANOTHER STATE	PTF [] 5	DEF [] 5
CITIZEN OF ANOTHER STATE	[] 2	[] 2	INCORPORATED or PRINCIPAL PLACE OF BUSINESS IN THIS STATE	[] 4 [] 4	FOREIGN NATION	[] 6	[] 6

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REPRESENTATION IS HEREBY MADE THAT, AT THIS TIME, I HAVE BEEN UNABLE, WITH REASONABLE DILIGENCE, TO ASCERTAIN THE RESIDENCE ADDRESSES OF THE FOLLOWING DEFENDANTS:

COURTHOUSE ASSIGNMENT

I hereby certify that this case should be assigned to the courthouse indicated below pursuant to Local Rule for Division of Business 18, 20 or 21.

Check one: THIS ACTION SHOULD BE ASSIGNED TO: WHITE PLAINS MANHATTAN

DATE 3/24/2023 /s/ Alex Abdo
 SIGNATURE OF ATTORNEY OF RECORD
 RECEIPT #

ADMITTED TO PRACTICE IN THIS DISTRICT
 NO
 YES (DATE ADMITTED Mo. 10 Yr. 2009)
 Attorney Bar Code # AA0527

Magistrate Judge is to be designated by the Clerk of the Court.

Magistrate Judge _____ is so Designated.

Ruby J. Krajick, Clerk of Court by _____ Deputy Clerk, DATED _____.

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT (NEW YORK SOUTHERN)

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